

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
AKIHIRO MATSUYA) : Examiner: Shewaye Gelagay
Application No.: 10/646,797) : Art Unit: 2137
Filed: August 25, 2003) : Conf. No.: 1223
For: IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM AND)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) has been filed herewith. Prior to continued examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows:

- amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing that begins on page 2, and
- remarks begin on page 7.